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Signature**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 3, 2007**

In response to the Office Action and Final Rejection dated January 3, 2007, having a  
shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 3, 2007, Applicants file the  
following Amendment and Response.

Applicants respectfully request allowance of the amended claims based upon the  
Examiner's comments in the Interview Summary and the Final Rejection.

A Listing of the Pending Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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